

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

REMEMBERING FORMER TRENTON MAYOR TOMMIE GOODWIN

HON. JOHN S. TANNER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 2, 2003

Mr. TANNER. Mr. Speaker, today I want to tell you about Tommie Goodwin, a fine public servant who dedicated himself to the people of Tennessee during a distinguished 20-year tenure as mayor of the City of Trenton, Tennessee.

Tommie first became mayor of Trenton in 1983 and served honorably in that capacity until his passing last year. Under Mayor Goodwin's leadership, our community made great strides in economic development and improvements in the quality of life of our citizens.

Mayor Goodwin's service was also beneficial to our neighbors throughout Gibson County and the state of Tennessee, leading to his recognition as Mayor of the Year in 2000 by the Tennessee Municipal League.

Tommie Goodwin cared deeply about those around him, and that was clear in the dedicated service he provided to our neighbors in Trenton. While we all miss Tommie, we will never be able to forget all he did for Tennessee.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me in honoring a distinguished public servant, an outstanding citizen and my friend, Mr. Tommie Goodwin.

HONORING MISSION SAN JOSE ROTARY CLUB'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 2, 2003

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Mission San Jose Rotary Club, which is celebrating its 20th anniversary in our community. This club has distinguished itself among the elite service clubs in this country.

Mission San Jose Rotary has completed more than 60 projects benefiting many nonprofit organizations and restoring buildings of historical significance in our community. The members of this club have assisted in making a college education a possibility for over 80 scholars; have provided over \$400,000 for charities; and have made major contributions to the Rotary International Polio Plus campaign, with a goal to eradicate polio from the face of the earth by 2005.

The Rotary Club has provided water wells to Central America and built houses in Mexico. This club has received local acclaim for its chili cooking, and it prepares and serves many thousands of meals at the Centerville Free Dining Room. The generous and concerned individuals who are members of this club reach out and make a difference, ensuring

promise and opportunity for this and future generations.

The spirit of community service is alive and thriving in Fremont, in some major part due to the efforts of the members of the Mission San Jose Rotary Club. I am honored to commend the Mission San Jose Rotary Club for its 20 years of generous service to the community.

RECOGNITION TO MR. BILL CLARK

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 2, 2003

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to draw the attention of my colleagues to the accomplishments of Mr. Bill Clark, the executive producer of the Emmy Award-winning police drama "NYPD BLUE." Mr. Clark is being honored with the National Police Defense Foundation's "Man of the Year" award for his work on NYPD BLUE and his longtime dedication to law enforcement.

Bill Clark was born in St. John's Newfoundland. Later he and his family moved to Brooklyn, New York where he spent most of his childhood. He joined the U.S. Army at age 17 and proudly served his country with tours of duty in Europe and Vietnam. After serving in the Army, Mr. Clark joined the New York City Police Department in 1969 and earned his gold detective shield in 1972. While on the NYPD, Mr. Clark attended the New York Institute of Technology on the G.I. Bill and graduated with a B.A. in Criminal Justice. He also entered the Army Reserve at the rank of Staff Sergeant and retired in 1989 as a major. On December 31, 1994, Mr. Clark retired from the Queens Homicide Squad as a first grade detective.

Mr. Clark subsequently joined the NYPD BLUE team as a technical consultant during the show's first season. Later, he was able to add to the show's authenticity by drawing on his 25 years of experience with New York undercover and homicide units. As executive producer, Mr. Clark continues to ensure that the series accurately and realistically portrays the work of New York City detectives. Mr. Clark also coauthored the book *True Blue: The real stories Behind NYPD Blue*.

Currently, Mr. Clark is married to Karen, a former NYPD lieutenant. Together they enjoy spending time with their daughters Natalie, Jennifer and Kristine.

On this day I ask that my fellow colleagues join me in commending Mr. Clark for both his longtime service to the NYPD and his commendable work as executive producer of NYPD BLUE.

GLOBAL CHANGE RESEARCH AND DATA MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2003

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 2, 2003

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, today I am pleased to introduce the Global Change Research and Data Management Act of 2003. This bill updates the existing law that formally established the U.S. Global Change Research Program (USGCRP) in 1990. This bill is also similar to the Global Change Research and Data Management Act that I introduced in the 107th Congress.

Over the past decade, the USGCRP has significantly advanced our scientific knowledge of Earth's atmosphere and climate and has provided us with a wealth of new data and information about the functioning of our planet.

However, the program has not produced sufficient information, in terms of both content and format, to be the basis for sound decisions. The program has focused nearly all of its resources and efforts on scientific inquiry. Only one broad assessment of the impact of global change on society has ever been attempted by the program, and that assessment was completed nearly seven years after its Congressionally mandated deadline. The local, state, regional, and national policymakers responsible for managing resources, fostering economic development, and responding to natural disasters need information to guide their decisions. In my view, it is critical that Congress reorient the USGCRP toward a user-driven research endeavor.

Most people agree that the climate is changing, but there is widespread disagreement about how much is the result of human activities. I think this bill deserves the support of people on both sides of that argument.

We need to move beyond debates about whether global change is occurring and allocating responsibility for the changes. I continue to believe fervently that we must do all we can to soften our impact on the environment and to slow the pace of global change. But we are going to have to deal with climate change with some mix of mitigation and adaptation. We must acknowledge the interdependence of our social, economic and environmental systems and learn to anticipate and adjust to changes that will inevitably occur.

In its recent review of the Administration's draft strategic plan for the USGCRP, the National Academy of Sciences acknowledged the need for research to evaluate strategies to mitigate and adapt to the impacts of global change, and the Academy recommended that the plan be revised to enhance efforts to support decision-making. The Global Change Research and Data Management Act of 2003 reorients the program to accomplish these goals.

The NAS praised the Administration for including the development of decision support tools in the strategic plan, but criticized the

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